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ABOUT PEOPLE AND THINGS

CURRENT COMMENT ABOUT PEOPLE AND THE THINGS THEY ARE DOING HERE.

Almost an inch of rain fell in this vicinity on Tuesday and Wednesday. Snow and rain fell west of here. A high wind accompanied the storm. The moisture was needed for fall grain and if more follows it will insure a good wheat crop next year.

J. A. Crawford, State Organizer for the Nebraska Grain Growers, Inc. will be in Lincoln County for four days, Oct. 31, Nov. 1, 2 and 3 and will hold as many meetings during that time as possible. He will speak on the Grain Growers, the Farm Bureau and Marketing. The dates and places will be announced soon.

The Parent Teacher Association of the Senior high school met Wednesday afternoon in the Senior High School and organized for the ensuing year. Mrs. W. V. Hoagland was elected president. The faculty was introduced and each responded with a short talk. An outline for the years work will be made at a later meeting.

The Literary, Music and Art Dept. of the 20th Century Club met with Mrs. T. N. Arnold Tuesday afternoon. Owing to the inclemency of the weather, not the usual number were present. A splendid program consisting of music and papers was enjoyed by those who attended. Refreshments were served at the close of the afternoon.

One of the ways in which disastrous fires originate is in waste and rubbish. This accumulates in closets, attics, basements, under stairways and in furnace rooms and coal bins. If these are kept clean it will eliminate one cause of fire and make the premises that much freer from this danger. City business premises have the advantage of having a State fire inspector go over them from time to time and his recommendations are usually followed.

During the present school year, Nebraska, through its city and district Boards of Education has contracted to pay its teachers over fourteen millions of dollars. The average monthly salary of the men teach-

ers is \$180 and of women \$113. These figures were announced this week by State Superintendent John M. Matzan. This doesn't sound much like the statistics of a few years ago. Pretty soon we will be paying our teachers something like what they are worth—provided we keep on raising their salaries.

The local transportation organizations consisting of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Order of Railway Conductors, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers met in Labor Temple yesterday afternoon and received final instructions regarding the pending strike. Two hundred and fifty members were present. A. L. Kanold of Laramie, general chairman of the B. of L. E., J. A. Bergin of Bonner Springs, Kansas, general chairman of O. R. C., Frank E. Olds, of Denver, vice-general chairman of B. of R. T. and Del Smith of Council Bluffs, general chairman of the B. of L. F. & E. attended the meeting.

About a dozen men appeared for the first meeting of the Scouts Training School Wednesday evening and before they left a Scout Troop had been organized. Richmond Birge was made Scout Master, John Null, Senior Patrol Leader, Wilson Tout, Scribe. The troop will be known as Troop 10. It will meet every Wednesday evening for eight weeks. Then the night will probably be changed. The first half hour will be used in a study of scout principles and problems. Following this will be an hour of scout activities with some games for the closing. Enrollments will continue until the full 32 members of the troop have been secured.

Presidents of the four State Normals met at Fremont this week and completed a course of study for their schools which will take four full years and will lead to the A. B. degree. If this means that we can send North Platte boys and girls who have graduated from our high school to Kearney and they can take one, two or three years work, which will be accepted by the University of Nebraska as the equivalent of the same amount of work there, it will be a great thing for Nebraska. Centralizing of undergraduate work in the University at Lincoln has been carried on until conditions have become almost unbearable in some ways. We would like to see the University do not only graduate work and have the undergraduate schools scattered all over the state so that more people could attend and they could get better training.

HALLOWE'EN FESTIVITIES

THE WEEK'S CELEBRATION INCLUDES MANY HALLOWE'EN SOCIAL EVENTS

North Platte young people and their elders are using the Halloween season to have many parties, dances and other social events. Following is brief mention of as many as we secured:

Miss Ida Lamplough will entertain her friends this evening at a masquerade party at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hupfer will entertain guests at a Halloween dinner.

The War Mothers are planning to entertain all American Legion members and all ex-service men at a big party in the Lloyd Opera House.

Mrs. J. B. Redfield and Mrs. Robert Dickey will entertain at one o'clock luncheon tomorrow afternoon at the home of the former.

Miss Clara Sorensen entertained a dozen girls at her home Tuesday evening at the close of the evening the evening dainty refreshments were served.

Mrs. Frank Kroehler entertained at cards Wednesday afternoon at her home. After a pleasant afternoon lunch was served.

Miss Helen Bonner has issued invitations to a Halloween party to be given by her at the home of her sister Mrs. Harry Cramer tomorrow evening.

The Junior class will enjoy a masquerade party at the Franklin Auditorium this evening. An evening of games and contests have been planned.

Miss Evelyn Leyboldt will entertain the members of the Senior class and the Bayard football team this evening at her home at a Halloween party.

Tomorrow night the ninth grade class of Junior High School will enjoy a masquerade party in the Franklin Auditorium. An evening of games and dancing has been planned.

This evening members of the Junior Episcopal Young Peoples Association will entertain their friends at a masquerade in the E. Y. P. A. Club house.

The Ladies Auxiliary to B. of R. T. will entertain their families at a Halloween party in the K. P. hall Saturday evening. An enjoyable evening has been planned.

The Rotarians have been summoned to appear in Harvest Time costumes Monday evening at the homes of various members. An evening of Halloween stunts has been planned.

The Gleaners Class of the Christian church will spend tomorrow evening at a Halloween party in the basement of the church. Decorations will be orange and black.

Members of the Actrema club and their husbands will be entertained tomorrow evening at the home of Mrs. J. A. Ward. Plans for the evening have been made in keeping with the season.

A masquerade party will be held this evening at the Christian church by members of the Young Peoples Class. The evening will be spent in Halloween stunts after which lunch will be served.

The Eastern Star ladies served a six o'clock dinner last evening in the Masonic Temple. Henry H. Andrews of Calloway grand patron was present. Following the well appointed dinner the chapter held a regular meeting.

The Episcopal Young Peoples Association and its friends enjoyed a masquerade party Tuesday evening in the E. Y. P. A. Club house. The evening was spent in music and dancing after which refreshments were served.

The Epworth League of the M. E. church enjoyed a Halloween party in the nature of a skating party last evening at Maxwell. League members motored to Maxwell where they had engaged the rink and after an evening of skating Halloween refreshments were served.

The Auxiliary of the Episcopal Church entertained at the home of Mrs. C. S. Clinton Tuesday in honor of Mrs. Blanche Fields who will leave next week for California where she will reside in the future. Mrs. Fields has been one of the most active members in the Episcopal mission work. A pleasant afternoon was spent.

Mr. C. Urban, manager of the dances at the Lloyd Opera House has promised a real treat to his patrons on Halloween night. Those attending this masked ball will join in the street parade which will be held from eight to nine o'clock Monday evening. The parade will be headed by a clown orchestra which will furnish the music for the dance. Mr. Urban promises that the music will be the best ever heard in North Platte.

The Affairs of Anatol—one of the greatest screen triumphs of the decade. It is a marvelous photo-play with the greatest all-star cast ever assembled in any picture. Coming at the Keith on Oct. 30 and 31 and Nov. 1.

MOVE THE COURT HOUSE

PROPOSITION TO SELL PRESENT LOCATION AND PURCHASE ANOTHER.

A proposition is being presented to the County Commissioners which should receive very careful consideration before any action is taken. It is proposed to sell the block on which the Court House is located and place the new building on another location. It is thought that a block can be secured at the end of Dewey street, next to the Burlington right-of-way or either east or west of the present location. It is argued that the business street of North Platte cannot go further south on account of the court house and high school and that on account of high rents there must be more business houses erected in the near future. It is estimated that the present location of the Court House would bring from \$80,000 to \$100,000. It is thought that another block could be bought for from \$20,000 to \$50,000 leaving a clear difference of from \$30,000 to \$50,000. This amount would go toward building or furnishing the new building. North Platte business in-

terests are back of the movement and many of our business men are enthusiastic about it as they think it will benefit North Platte by allowing its business district to expand and that it will benefit Lincoln Co. by giving it a large sum of ready money to apply on the new Court House.

On the other hand there are a number of people who think that what is good for North Platte business is just as good for Lincoln Co. business. They say that Lincoln County is about to expend \$175,000 on a new building but that it is not going to put it into a structure that will stand on a back street. Some doubt whether a clear title could be secured to the present court house block and others say it could not be sold at present for anywhere what it is worth owing to the financial depression. Some North Platte people say that the Court House block is designed as the center of a group of buildings of which the High schools and the City library are a part and which would in time be a sort of civic center. And so it goes, good arguments being presented on both sides.

The proposition will be put up to the Commissioners who will ask the decision of the people before taking any action. The columns of this paper are open to original communications from any Lincoln County people, communications favoring or disfavoring the plan. The matter should be threshed out thoroughly before anything definite is done.



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